

November 11, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 1-A836 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation in CC Docket No. 96-262

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules, this letter is to provide notice in the above-captioned docketed proceeding of an ex parte discussion on November 11, 2003, by Jonathan Askin of the Association for Local Telecommunications Services (ALTS) with Christopher Libertelli, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Powell. Mr. Askin discussed the possible consequences that might result from possible revisions to the rules governing CLEC access charges. Mr. Askin noted the likelihood that new rules might increase uncertainty over CLEC ability to obtain reasonable compensation for originating and terminating traffic.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at 202-969-2587.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Jonathan Askin

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